



## Willie Hoppe Likely to Again Emerge a Winner in the World's Balkline Billiards Tourney This Month.

If form counts for anything Willie Hoppe will again capture the world's national balkline championship when all the stars compete here the latter part of the month in a tournament for the title. Hoppe has successfully defended the honors for a long time against all comers and another tournament was arranged, the winner to be declared the world's champion.

Young Jake Schaefer, Walker Cochran and other rising youngsters have been challenging Hoppe for several months, but if Willie is anywhere near the form when the tourney starts he should be able to hold his own. Hoppe made a run of 607, the second highest on record. Several years ago in Paris he made a run of 607, but it was never accepted as a record. Owing to the fact that yesterday's match was played under championship conditions it may be accepted as a record. The present mark is 508 which is held by Willie. Not all the shots yesterday were made from close formation, many of them being open shots that bordered on the marvelous.

If Hoppe has gone back, as his critics have been claiming, it is not evident now and he will be hard to beat when the tourney is held at the Hotel Astor Oct. 20 to 25, inclusive. He has been practicing ten days and is at the top of his game.

THE first intercollegiate football game in this country was played in 1869 between Princeton and Rutgers and plans for a football pageant at New Brunswick between the two colleges are under way, so as to commemorate the sport's birth on this side of the Atlantic. The affair will start with an exhibition of the old twenty-man to the side game as it was played in bygone days and finish with two ten-minute halves between this year's teams that represent the two colleges.

Chief Justice William Gummere of New Jersey, who captained the Tigers in the original game, and the Rev. William Leavelle, who captained the Rutgers, have consented to be on hand in football togs of the 1869 vintage.

KING PLAUDIT deserved the plaudits of the race-goers at Jamaica yesterday when he won the third race over a distance of a mile and seventy yards in 1:43 3-5 without being extended. This is only three-fifths of a second behind the old record established by Precise in 1917.

The king was a far different colt from the horse that lost at Aqueduct last week under heavy support by the public. He was last at the post with Jockey Fator up. Yesterday Tommy Davies was in the saddle and the king behaved like a champion.

George Odom was pleased with the horse's showing and is going to ship him to Louisiana for the \$50,000 handicap Oct. 11. King Plaudit is a horse who is very good when he is good, and when bad terrible. He is temperamental, but if right has a good chance to win this big stake.

PROMOTER DAVE MACKAY announces a big card for his club in Newark on Oct. 13 when he will stage four eight-round bouts between champions and near-champions. Among the stars on the card is Al Roberts, the big Staten Island heavyweight, who has a host of admirers who believe some day he will develop into a worthy opponent of Jack Dempsey. Roberts is going to box Charlie Weinert again. He recently outpointed him. The rest of the card will bring together Willie Jackson and Tommy Taylor, Champion Pete Herman and Harold Farnum and Benny Valger and Joey Fox, some card.

BILLY ROCHE, the famous referee who did so much for the soldiers here and in France, has just come out of the hospital where he underwent an operation on his eyes. He is going to stage a monster boxing carnival at the opening of the drill season at the armory of the 1st Field Hospital, New York Guard next Monday night. This show will be the start of a drive by Major J. Franklin Dunneith to bring his organization up to full war strength. Five world's champions are expected to perform.

## JAMAICA RACES

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# BEST SPORTING PAGE IN NEW YORK

## A FEW HOURS BEFORE THE BATTLE

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By Thornton Fisher



## Chasing Speeding Autos Helped Develop This Lad Into National Champion

Gene Walker, Holder of Three Championships, Was a Cop in Birmingham Four Years Ago.

By Alex. Sullivan.

CHASING speeding automobilists in his capacity as a motorcycle cop has developed Eugene Walker into a potential world's champion of the speedways. This young Southerner—he is known as the "Southern Streak"—recently won three national championships, and is confident he will make a clean sweep of the title events to be contested in the motorcycle professional race meet Saturday afternoon at the Sheepshead Bay Speedway.

Gene Walker was little known to the racing game four years ago. Prior to 1915 he enjoyed a local reputation as Birmingham's speediest specimen of a motorcycle. Then he entered the Police Department of his native town as a motorcycle cop. His reputation as a speedster was well known to automobilists who were inoculated with the speed mania, and their delight was to engage Walker in thrilling duels along the highways. But they paid dearly for their play, for Walker inevitably overtook the most reckless drivers and hauled them before the Magistrate.

The ease with which Walker caught the speediest of them sowed the seed for a racing career in young Gene's thoughts. Soon he was entering in dirt track competitions and his ascendancy has been meteoric. In winning his first five-mile race he turned the journey in 4 minutes 7 seconds.

## Fistic News John Pollock and Gossip

Champion Benny Leonard will get another bunch of money to-night as he is booked to meet Charlie Netris, the Detroit lightweight, in a ten round bout at the big boxing club which is being conducted by Billy McCarnay at Detroit, Mich. Leonard has never fought at Detroit and as the fight fans are anxious to see him in action a big crowd is expected to witness the scrap. This will be the opening show of McCarnay's club.

It is not likely that Champion Jack Britton and Champion Benny Leonard will fight after all at the Sportmen's Club in Newark on Oct. 27. Dan Moynihan, manager of Britton, stated today that he would not fight with Leonard unless he can be paid \$10,000. He thinks that he will be able to get \$10,000 for the fight, but he is not sure.

Clay Turner, the Indian who fights Al. C. of Oklahoma on Oct. 10, is getting into condition at Harry McCormick's Atlantic Rock Farm at Sedroville, N. J. Turner will be in right shape for this fight as he has been doing a lot of boxing since he came to this country. He is expected to win the fight.

The gate receipts of the O'Dowd-Batter bout at the Armory A. of Jersey City on Monday night, which amounted to \$1,000, as published yesterday in this column, were one of the biggest disappointments. Matchmaker Jennings has had in many a day. Jennings figured that the bout would at least draw a \$15,000 gate, but what caused the small attendance was the fact that Jennings staged the bout too late.

Jimmy Hanson, the fast lightweight of Denver, Colo., who expects to do considerable fighting in the East, was signed up today for another battle. He will take on Frankie Burns, the lightweight of Oakland, Cal., for twelve rounds at "Welter" Mass. on Friday night. This bout is expected to be a close one, as both fighters are in excellent condition.

John Jennings is undecided whether he will hold any more open air boxing shows at his club. He seems to think that the weather is a little too cool for open air events and for that reason he may close down for a while. Should the weather improve, he may resume his outdoor shows.



THE CINCY FAN IS HAPPY AGAIN

## MANY FAVORITES SURVIVE THE FIRST ROUND OF TOURNEY

However, Elaine Rosenthal and Mrs. Thomas Hucknall Are Eliminated in the National Championship at Shawnee.

SHAWNEE, Pa., Oct. 1.—With the exception of Miss Elaine Rosenthal, the former Western title-holder and Mrs. Thomas Hucknall of Forest Hill, both of whom had been expected to go forth, favorites came through with flying colors in the first round of the women's national golf championship tournament at the Shawnee Country Club.

Miss Alice Stirling, the Atlanta girl who holds the title, proved too much for plucky Mrs. C. F. Fox, the Huntingdon Valley matron, who was not ashamed to admit that she has several grandchildren playing the game. Despite the good golf of her opponent, Mrs. Fox carried the match to the seventeenth green, where she captured the title.

Other former national champions to win were Mrs. C. F. Vanderbeck of the Philadelphia Cricket Club and Mrs. H. Arnold Jackson of Owentale. Mrs. W. A. Davis, the English woman from the South Shore Club, also won her match, as did Mrs. M. J. Lounsbury of Bedford.

Miss Lounsbury, playing a brand of golf that would have won nine matches out of ten, had the misfortune to meet Miss Hollins when the Westport golfer was at her best.

Several of Mrs. Hollins's shots were good for 220 yards, and she supplemented these with better iron work than marked her efforts in the quality. After being 2 down at the sixth, Miss Hollins won three straight holes and turned in a home 1 up. Both sides were playing par of 72. With one or two approximations Miss Hollins made the round in 84, the other's 87.

The two earliest winners of the tourney were Mrs. Q. P. Feltner of South Shore and Miss Marion Hollins of Westport. The latter defeated Miss Hollins by a score of 6 and 4, while the former won her match by a score of 6 and 4.

Miss Feltner, the North Hills woman who never took part in a national championship event before, was well square at the eighth, Mrs. Barlow having saved herself several times by able recovery. On the inward holes she soon took command and won on the fourteenth green.

Miss Fanny Osgood of Brookline, the only Boston player in the tournament, lost a hard match to Mrs. F. C. Letta Gordon and following the two come the game was carried to the home green as was the tit between Mrs. G. Henry and Mrs. H. J. Lounsbury. Mrs. Lounsbury won the match by a score of 6 and 4.

As the situation stands at present the upper half of the draw gives promise of several hard matches. In the first bracket Mrs. Stetson will meet Miss Hollins and following these two come Mrs. Hollins and Miss Stirling. All are looking forward with expectancy to the meeting between these two. The other brackets contain the following: Mrs. Van Hook vs. Mrs. Letta; Mrs. Price vs. Mrs. Barlow; Mrs. Lounsbury vs. Mrs. Byfield vs. Mrs. Jackson; Mrs. Letta vs. Mrs. Feltner; Mrs. Stetson vs. Mrs. Hollins.



FINANCIAL NOTE

## Gleaned By the Golf Gallery

New York to Enter Powerful Team in the Lesley Cup Matches Against Pennsylvania and Massachusetts.

By William Abbott.

RES. CORNELIUS J. SULLIVAN of the Metropolitan Golf Association and Team Capt. Findlay S. Douglas after carefully combing the links talent in this sector have decided on the combination that will represent New York in the Lesley Cup matches Friday and Saturday with Pennsylvania and Massachusetts.

The New York team will line up as follows: John G. Anderson, Frank Dyer, August Kammer, Oswald Kirkby, Archie McIlwaine, Grant Peacock, W. M. Reekie, John Stearns, Joe Sweetser, Gardner White and Findlay Douglas, who will lead the team without engaging in a match.

This team represents the strongest aggregation of players that could be formed from the metropolitan district. The only noted absentee is Jerry Travers, but the form disqualification of players that could be formed from the metropolitan district. The only noted absentee is Jerry Travers, but the form disqualification of players that could be formed from the metropolitan district.

All New York's entrants are especially strong match players. Stars like Kirkby, Walker, Peacock and White are not going to be soft opponents for any team, not even the great combination Pennsylvania will start in the three-cornered tournament.

Tryouts for places on the team were held last Saturday and Sunday at the National Links, with President Sullivan and Captain Douglas carefully making observations. Mr. Sullivan frankly says the New York team is the strongest that could be mustered, and that the Lesley Cup series will be the greatest golf event in the United States since the memorable play-off in 1913 between Harry Vardon, Ted Ray and Francis Outmet for the National open title at Brookline.

Pennsylvania will have a powerful array of club swingers, including National Champion Dave Herron and half a dozen young Philadelphia stars who flamed at Oakmont. Massachusetts will be stronger than expected, as Francis Outmet will surely captain the Bay State team. The former national champion is coming down from the Maine Woods this week, where he has been recuperating from poor health, especially to head his State's delegation in the Lesley Cup series.

The National Links, scene of the Inter-City meet, are rated the hardest golf test in the country. In addition to difficult surface obstacles, strong winds that sweep in from the nearby ocean furnish hazards that are not encountered on hardly any other course in the country.

So severe are the National Links that rounds under its flag are not numerous unless phenomenal golf is played.

## Bowling Season Opens To-Night On Local Alleys

The bowling tournament season for 1919-20 opens on New York alleys to-night. The bowler will pay 15 cents a game this season instead of 10 cents, as formerly, because the alley owners claim that it is necessary owing to the high cost of help, etc.

The first tournament to get under way will be the Wheat Export League which starts to-night at the Grand Central Academy, Brooklyn, with sixteen teams. To-morrow night the Funnell League will start at the same academy with a dozen teams. On Friday evening the Metal District League opens at the National Recreation Academy.

On Monday evening, Oct. 6, the American National will open its twenty-ninth year at Thum's White Elephant Academy, with twenty-one evenly matched teams competing. The Silk Bowling League, in which there are seventeen teams, the greatest number that has competed in years, will also get under way on Monday.

Wednesday, Oct. 9, is the date set for the opening of the "Bank Clerks" League, at Thum's, with fourteen teams.

Also, I. J. Lantry, Secretary of the American Bowling Congress, from his headquarters in Milwaukee, reports that the 1920 tournament of Congress gives every promise of being the greatest ever held.



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## Christy Mathewson

THE championship baseball games of the World's Series are reported for

The New York Times by Christy Mathewson

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